## IN THE UNITED STATE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re A	application of:	)	
		:	Examiner: Eron J. Sorrell
KATSUHIKO HARA ET AL.			
		:	Art Unit: 2182
Application No.: 10/773,418		)	
		:	Conf. No.: 6585
Filed:	February 9, 2004	)	
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For:	DISTRIBUTED PROCESSING	)	
	SYSTEM, AND ITS CONTROL	:	
	METHOD	)	January 7, 2008

Mail Stop: Amendment Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicants petition to extend the time for response to the Office Action of September 7, 2007, to January 7, 2008. A Deposit Account payment in the amount of \$120.00 in payment of the extension fee is submitted herewith.

In response to the Office Action dated September 7, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows. The amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing beginning on page 2, and the Remarks begin on page 8.